

## NOTICE TO PUBLIC AND ATTORNEYS PRACTICING IN THE BANKRUPTCY COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

## FILING FEE INCREASES EFFECTIVE APRIL 9, 2006

The enactment of the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005 includes the increase of bankruptcy filing fees for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13. These fee increases will take effect for all cases filed on/or after <u>Sunday</u>, <u>April 9</u>, <u>2006</u>.

<u>Chapter 7</u> filing fee increases from \$274 to **\$299** (\$245 filing fee, \$39 administrative fee, \$15 trustee surcharge)

Chapter 13 filing fee increases from \$189 to \$274 (\$235 fling fee, \$39 administrative fee)

<u>Please Note</u>: It appears that Congress intended to increase the Chapter 11 filing fee as well; however, due to a drafting error, the Chapter 11 fee remains unaltered at this time. We will keep you apprised of any further fee changes as the information becomes available.